

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2004

House Meets At...	Last Vote Predicted At...
9:00 a.m.: Legislative Business Five "One Minutes" Per Side	???

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

Martial Law Rule for the same day consideration of rules for both the Omnibus Appropriations Conference Report and a Continuing Resolution.

Conference Report on H.R. 4818 - Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act for FY05 (*Appropriations*) --- Omnibus Appropriations Bill. This conference report includes \$388 billion in discretionary funding for FY05 for the nine pending appropriations bills: Agriculture, Commerce-Justice-State, Foreign Operations, Interior, Labor-HHS-Education, Legislative Branch, Transportation-Treasury, Veterans-Housing and Urban Development, and Energy and Water. Highlights of the consolidated appropriations bill follow:

- **\$85.3 billion in total funding for the Agriculture appropriations bill:** \$35 billion for the Food Stamps program; \$5.3 billion for the WIC Program; \$11.8 billion for the School Meal Programs; \$16.5 billion for the Commodity Credit Corporation; \$2.4 billion for Rural Economic Development Programs; \$1.6 billion for the Food and Drug Administration; \$1.3 billion for the Agricultural Research Service; \$824 million for the Food Safety and Inspection Service; and \$999 million for conservation programs. The language to allow U.S. Residents to travel to Cuba to promote agricultural products or medical supplies was dropped, as was the language that would have allowed individuals and pharmacies to import prescription drugs from Canada.
- **\$40.7 billion for the Commerce, Justice and State Departments, the Judiciary and related agencies:** \$20.9 billion for the Justice Department (\$5.2 billion for the FBI; \$1.7 billion for the DEA; \$890 million for the ATF; \$606 million for the COPS program; \$384 million for juvenile justice programs; \$4.8 billion for the Federal prison system); \$5.5 billion for the operation of the Federal court system; \$6.7 billion for the Commerce Department (\$3.9 billion for NOAA; \$755 million for the Census Bureau; \$1.3 billion for the Patent and Trademark Office); \$8.9 billion for the State Department (\$1.2 billion for membership in international organizations; \$4.2 billion for diplomatic and consular programs; \$1.5 billion for embassy security); \$281 million for the Federal Communications Commission; \$913 million for the Securities and Exchange Commission; \$580 million for the Small Business Administration.
- **\$19.7 billion for Foreign Operations:** \$2.3 billion for international programs to fight HIV/AIDS and related diseases (malaria and tuberculosis); \$1.6 billion for the Child Survival and Disease Program Fund; \$1.5 billion for development assistance; \$618 million for USAID; \$370 million for international disaster assistance; \$1.5 billion for the Millennium Challenge program; \$5 billion for military assistance; \$731 million for the Andean Counterdrug Initiative; \$560 million for former Soviet Republics; \$1.2 billion for international financial institutions.
- **\$20 billion for the Department of Interior portion of the bill:** \$9.9 billion for the Interior Department; \$2.3 billion for the National Park Service; \$3 billion for the Indian Health Service; \$4.3 billion for the Forest Service; \$2.3 billion for the Bureau of Indian Affairs; \$1.8 billion for the Bureau of Land Management; \$1.3 billion for the Fish and Wildlife Service; \$123 million for the National Endowment for the Arts; \$140 million for the National Endowment for the Humanities.
- **\$144 billion in discretionary funding for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and related agencies:** \$15.4 billion for the Labor Department (\$898 million for the adult-job-training program; \$1.2 billion for dislocated-worker programs; \$1.6 billion for Job Corps); the Health and Human Services Department funds include: \$28.5 billion for the National Institutes of Health; \$4.8 billion for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; \$2.1 billion for the Ryan White AIDS programs; \$1.7 billion for community health centers; \$2.2 billion for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program; \$6.9 billion for Head Start; \$2.1 billion for the Child Care and Development Block Grant; \$59.7 billion for the Department of Education (\$15 billion for Title I; \$1.3 billion for impact aid; \$2.9 billion to improve teacher quality; \$999 million for 21st Century Community Learning Centers; \$681 for English Acquisition; \$11.5 billion for special education state grants; \$1.3 billion for vocational education; \$14.4 billion for student financial aid programs including \$12.5 billion for the Pell Grant program).
- **\$3.6 billion for the Legislative Branch portion of the bill:** \$1 billion for the House of Representatives; \$726 million for the operations of the Senate; \$232 million for the Capitol

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Police; \$352 million for the Architect of the Capitol; \$549 million for the Library of Congress; \$471 million for the Government Accountability Office (GAO).

- **\$90.7 billion for the Departments of Transportation and Treasury and independent agencies:** \$58.9 billion in budgetary resources for the Department of Transportation (\$34.9 billion for highway spending; \$13.6 billion for the Federal Aviation Administration; \$7.7 billion for the Federal Transit Administration; \$1.4 billion for the Federal Railroad Administration including Amtrak); \$11.2 billion for the Treasury Department (\$10.3 billion for the Internal Revenue Service); \$770 million for the Executive Office of the President; \$18.2 billion for the Office of Personnel Management (OPM); \$52 million for the Federal Election Commission. This portion of the bill also includes language to provide civilian government employees with a 3.5% cost-of-living adjustment in FY05.
- **\$93.5 billion in discretionary funding for the Veterans Affairs Department, Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and independent agencies:** \$30.3 billion for the Veterans Health Administration; \$37.3 billion for the Housing and Urban Development (\$14.9 billion for Section 8 vouchers; \$5.8 billion for public and Indian housing programs); \$5.5 billion for the National Science Foundation; \$16.2 billion for NASA; \$8.1 billion for the Environmental Protection Agency.
- **\$28 billion for the Energy and Water portion of the conference report:** \$23 billion for the Department of Energy (\$577 million for the Yucca Mountain repository; \$8.8 billion for the National Nuclear Security Administration; \$6.5 billion for Weapons Activities; and \$1,42 billion for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation programs; \$4.7 billion for the Corps of Engineers.

Postponed Suspension Votes (2 bills):

- 1) **H.Res. 853** - Recognizing the Boy Scouts of America for the public service the organization performs for neighborhoods and communities across the United States (*Rep. Issa / Judiciary*)
- 2) **H.R. 5382** - To Promote the Development of the Emerging Commercial Human Space Flight Industry (*Rep. Rohrabacher / Science*)

H.J.Res.114 – Making further continuing appropriations for FY05. This bill provides temporary funding for the Federal government through December 3, 2004.

Martial Law Rule for the same day consideration of a rule for S.2845 – 9/11 Implementation Act.

Conference Report on S.2845 – 9/11 Implementation Act.

Daily Quote...

"Tom DeLay is bleeding and he doesn't even know it. This week, House Republicans bent their accountability rules to protect their majority leader from what they feel is a partisan Texas prosecutor. But they hated the whole exercise. They sat in a conference room hour after hour wringing their hands. Only a few members were brave enough to stand up and say they shouldn't bend the rule. But afterward, many House Republicans came up to those members and said that secretly they agreed with them... Tom DeLay is a scandal waiting to happen. He casts himself as the enemy of Washington, but he's really a conventional (if effective) pol who wants to use dollars to entrench power. He represents the greatest danger the Republicans face, bossism. He wants to be the G.O.P.'s Boss Tweed. Deep in the recesses of their minds, many Republicans know that voters around the country may never hear of Tom DeLay, but if the Republicans become just another self-dealing power clique, there will be hell to pay."

- David Brooks, op-ed, *The New York Times* today